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## Home Guards Man Beaches As Threat Grows Of Japanese Invasion

## AUSTRALIA'S "IMPERATIVE URGENT" APPEAL

## Warships Gun Luzon Defenders

## MacARTHUR IN SAVAGE BATTLE

GEN. MACARTHUR'S 11,000 troops at Luzon yesterday had to meet a terrific onslaught from enemy reinforcements on land and from the guns of Japanese warships off the coast.

Though heavily outnumbered and forced to give ground, the American and Filipino troops fought back "savagely," and the story of their magnificent stand was told in a War Department communiqué from Washington yesterday.

Fresh Japanese troops are continuing heavy attacks against MacArthur's troops in the Philippines.

These attacks are particularly heavy on the left bank. Supporting the first of a host of naval guns and aircraft, the enemy has been taking a number of positions on the west coast.

Force counter-attacks by our troops repelled the enemy at some of these points, but others remain in possession of the enemy.

**TOLL OF JAP PLANES.** The enemy continues to land troops in Subic Bay and the Gulf of the Bataan Peninsula, greatly increasing the numerical superiority of the invaders.

Though fatigued from constant fighting, the American and Filipino troops continue their stubborn resistance, contesting savagely every advance made by the enemy.

In Bataan also the Japanese are meeting with heavy losses, especially in the air over the peninsula. In two days our fighters have shot down about 42 of the enemy.

In Friday's two air raids on Rangoon 19 Japanese fighters were destroyed, seven others probably destroyed, and several fighters and bombers damaged.

These figures were given in a RAF communiqué yesterday. Twenty-five enemy planes lost in the first raid and 42 in the second.

One RAF pilot and one American bomber pilot are missing from the two air battles.

Despite the heavy Japanese losses, their attacks returned yesterday and were again shattered, and seven bombers that came over were shot down, and of nine fighters who escorted them, five were destroyed.

In a second raid a whole formation of 20 Japanese fighters was shot down by Allied fighters. In the enemy's drive to reach the Bataan Peninsula the heights at Mt. Teben were captured by the Japanese and began to advance on the Bataan Peninsula. The Japanese met such stiff resistance from our fighters that they had to pause and wait for reinforcements.

## Big Freeze-Up Hits Axis Europe

THE Axis is frozen! Almost incredible weather conditions are prevailing over Europe, especially Axis-controlled Europe.

There has been nothing like this since 1929. Here are a few samples.

Naples has had a 26-inch snowfall.

German communications are completely cut.

Rhine shipping is suspended. Bulgaria is suffering 40 degrees of frost.

The whole of Europe is gripped by this cold wave which shows no signs of abating.

Even in Switzerland snow to snow and ice is falling. At Basel this is a record for temperatures of 40 degrees of frost was registered.

The Swiss lakes are frozen over. The Lowlands of Switzerland, which this means much of our wintering Europe are having the heaviest snowfall for many years.

Many office buildings and blocks of flats in Milan are not being heated. In some temperatures are down to 10 degrees below freezing-point.

Bulgaria, where heavy snowfalls have interrupted nearly all road and rail communications, has been closed owing to the cold and lack of fuel.

## MORE FOOD ON POINTS

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## Another 13-Mile Advance By The Red Army

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## MAIN LBYA FORCES CLASH

GENERAL ROMMEL'S German-Italian forces are now in battle with our main forces, including tanks and artillery, in a 40-mile faced triangle on the desert "Invasion".

## DUTCH SINK JAP LINER

Batavia, Saturday. Bombers of the Dutch Air Force have sunk a Japanese liner off Balikpapan, the Borneo seaport.

The liner was carrying a large transport and a destroyer.

The bombers attacked a Japanese ship concentration off Balikpapan, a special communiqué tonight.

Two direct hits and several near misses by bombs of 650 lb. were scored on a big passenger liner, which exploded—Korlar.

The War Cabinet will meet again today to settle several matters of great importance.

By that time, it is believed, Australia may know what aid can be expected from London and Washington.

Unless that help is prompt and substantial, no messages from Australia indicated last night—an ugly situation may develop.

Australians have shown themselves to be in an angry mood. Mr. Curtin, the Prime Minister, has called on Mr. Churchill.

1. To give Australian representation to the Imperial War Cabinet.

2. To form a Pacific War Council of all countries concerned in the Pacific struggle.

In a talk to newspaper men Mr. Curtin gave vent to a demand which is growing among individual Australians for the return of all Australian soldiers, sailors and airmen to defend their own homeland.

The Australian fighting calibre has been tested on many fields, and should be available also to the high seas.

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A N Italian destroyer was sunk during a British attack on an Italian convoy, admitted Berlin Radio yesterday.

Berlin's story was: "An Italian ship was attacked two days ago by British submarines and sunk."

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These attacks were admitted by Berlin radio, which added that fighting on the Moscow front was going on in temperatures as low as 42 degrees below zero (Fahrenheit), or 74 degrees of frost.

Enormous booty has been captured on the North-Western and Kalinin fronts, reports the Moscow "Pravda," which adds: "The Red Army will continue its offensive without giving the Germans a moment's rest; not allowing them to dig in or find winter quarters."

Official quarters in London yesterday referred to the latest Soviet advance of 60 miles between Moscow and Leningrad as "very important," which was stated that recaptures of the advance could be expected in the next few days.

News of further successes was contained in yesterday's communiqué which reported the completion of an inhabited point "S" on a sector of the Moscow front.

In the fighting the Germans lost 220 officers and men, three tanks, five machine-guns and 13 motor vehicles laden with war supplies.

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## German Broadcast Presents Navy With 8,000 Ton Merchantman

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